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Semiannual Regulatory Agenda

AGENCY: Federal Energy Regulatory

Commission, DOE.

ACTION: Semiannual regulatory agenda.

SUMMARY: In accordance with guidance issued by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission voluntarily submits information about rulemakings under development. Of the 24 rulemakings listed, 19 are current or projected rulemakings, and 5 are completed actions.

DATES: The dates provided represent goals, not commitments, and may be revised due to shifts in workload,

changes in priorities, or extensive public comments. See the various dates listed for each specific rulemaking.

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Federal Energy Regulatory Commission—Long-Term Actions

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3884	Update of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission's Fees Schedule for Annual Charges for the Use of Gov-	
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3862. STANDARDS OF CONDUCT FOR TRANSMISSION PROVIDERS

Priority: Other Significant

Legal Authority: 15 USC 717 to 717w; 15 USC 3301 to 3432; 16 USC 791 to 825r; 16 USC 2601 to 2645; 31 USC

9701; 42 USC 7101 to 7352 CFR Citation: 18 CFR 358 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission reaffirms its determinations in Order Nos. 2004, 2004-A, and 2004-B and C and grants rehearing and clarifies certain provisions. Orders Nos. 2004 et seq. require all natural gas and public utility transmission providers to comply with standards of conduct that govern the relationship between the natural gas and public utility transmission providers and all of their energy affiliates. (Docket No. RM01-10-000.)

Timetable:

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Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/05/01	66 FR 50919
NPRM Comment Period End	12/20/01	
Final Rule	12/11/03	68 FR 69134
Final Rule Effective	02/09/04	
Order on Rehearing (Order No. 2004–A)	04/29/04	69 FR 23562
Order on Rehearing Effective	06/01/04	
Order on Rehearing (Order No. 2004–B)	08/10/04	69 FR 48371
Order on Rehearing Effective	09/09/04	69 FR 48371
Final Rule: Order on Rehearing (Order No. 2004–C)	01/04/05	70 FR 284
Final Rule: Order on Rehearing Effective	02/03/05	
Final Rule: Order on Rehearing (Order No. 2004–D)	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: $\ensuremath{\mathrm{No}}$

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 1902–AC07

3863. STANDARDIZING GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENTS AND PROCEDURES

Priority: Other Significant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 16 USC 791a to 825r; 16 USC 2601 to 2645; 31 USC 9701; 42 USC 7101 to 7352

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 35 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission amended its regulations to require public utilities that own, control, or operate facilities used for transmitting electric energy in interstate commerce to have on file standard procedures and a standard agreement for interconnection generators larger than 20 megawatts. The Commission reaffirms that an important objective of the Commission's pricing policy is the protection of the transmission provider's existing transmission customers, including native load, from subsidizing network upgrands required to interconnect merchant generators.

(Docket No. RM02-1-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	11/01/01	66 FR 55140
ANPRM Comment Period End	02/01/02	67 FR 3632
NPRM	05/02/02	67 FR 22249
NPRM Comment Period End	06/17/02	
Final Rule	08/18/03	68 FR 49846
Final Rule Effective	01/20/04	
Order on Rehearing	03/26/04	69 FR 15932
Order on Rehearing Effective	04/26/04	69 FR 15932
Order on Rehearing	01/04/05	70 FR 265
Order on Rehearing Effective	01/19/05	
Order on Rehearing	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 1902-AC15

3864. ELECTRICITY MARKET DESIGN AND STRUCTURE (REMEDYING UNDUE DISCRIMINATION THROUGH OPEN ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICE AND STANDARD ELECTRICITY MARKET DESIGN)

Priority: Other Significant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 16 USC 791a to 825r; 16 USC 2601 to 2645; 31 USC 9701; 42 USC 7101 to 7352

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 35 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission is proposing to amend its regulations under the Federal Power Act, to modify the pro forma open access transmission tariff established under the Commission's order No. 888, to provide for nondiscriminatory standardized transmission service and wholesale electric markets, and so to remedy remaining undue discrimination in the provision of interstate transmission services and in other industry practices, and to assure just and reasonable rates within and among regional power markets. The Commission has not scheduled a date for finalizing this rule. It issued a white paper in response to comments on the rule and is holding regional conferences to further discuss issues raised by states and industry participants. It issued a staff paper on regional choices for implementing the elements of the white paper and is coordinating market designs through individual filings so as to accommodate regional variation. (Docket No. RM01-12-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	08/29/02	67 FR 55452
NPRM Comment Period End	11/15/02	
White Paper	04/28/03	
Staff Paper on Regional Choices for Implementing the Elements of the White Paper	07/07/03	
Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3865. ELECTRONIC TARIFF FILINGS

Priority: Other Significant

Legal Authority: OMB Circular A–130 **CFR Citation:** 18 CFR 131: 18 CFR 154:

18 CFR 157; 18 CFR 35; 18 CFR 250; 18 CFR 330; 18 CFR 341; 18 CFR 342; 18 CFR 344; 18 CFR 346; 18 CFR 348; 18 CFR 385; 18 CFR 281; 18 CFR 284; 18 CFR 300; 18 CFR 347; 18 CFR 375

Legal Deadline: Other, Statutory, October 21, 2003, Government Paperwork Elimination Act.

Abstract: The Commission proposes to require that all tariffs and tariff revisions and rate change applications for the public utility, natural gas pipeline, and oil pipeline industries, be filed electronically via software provided by the Commission. (Docket No. RM01-5-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Notice of Inquiry	03/20/01	66 FR 15673
NPRM	07/23/04	69 FR 43929
NPRM Comment Period End	10/04/04	
Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3866. STANDARDIZATION OF SMALL GENERATOR INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENTS AND PROCEDURES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 16 USC 791a to 825r; 16 USC 2601 to 2645; 31 USC 9701;

42 USC 7101 to 7532 CFR Citation: 18 CFR 35 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission proposes the addition of standard small generator interconnection procedures and a standard small generator interconnection agreement to the open access transmission tariffs of public

utilities that own, operate, or control

facilities for transmitting electric energy in interstate commerce. (Docket No. RM02-12-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
ANPRM	08/26/02	67 FR 54749
ANPRM Comment Period End	12/20/02	67 FR 70194
NPRM	08/19/03	68 FR 49974
NPRM Comment Period End	10/03/03	
Notice of Request for Supplemental Comments	08/17/04	69 FR 51024
Supplemental Comments Due	02/18/05	
Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: ${ m No}$

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 1902-AC26

3867. NATURAL GAS PIPELINES NEGOTIATED RATE POLICIES AND PRACTICES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 15 USC 717d; 15 USC

717e

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 284 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission has determined to modify its negotiated rate policy. The Commission has revised its filing requirements to increase the transparency of negotiated rates in order to minimize the potential for discrimination and will no longer permit the pricing of negotiated rates based upon natural gas commodity price indices. (Docket No. PL02-6-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Notice of Inquiry	07/25/02	67 FR 48592
NOI Comment Period End	09/25/02	67 FR 53350
Modification of Negotiated Rate Policy	08/05/03	68 FR 46179

Next Action Undetermined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3868. STANDARD OF REVIEW FOR PROPOSED CHANGES TO MARKET-BASED RATE CONTRACTS FOR WHOLESALE SALES OF ELECTRIC ENERGY BY PUBLIC UTILITIES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 5 USC 601; 15 USC 717 to 717w; 15 USC 3301 to 3432; 16 USC 792 to 825y; 16 USC 2601 to 2645; 42 USC 4321 to 4361; 42 USC 7101 to 7352

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 2 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission proposes to adopt a policy statement on the standard of review to be met to justify proposed changes in market-based rate contracts for wholesale sales of electric energy by public utilities in light of Mobile-Sierra doctrine. (Docket No. PL02-7-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Notice of Proposed	08/08/02	67 FR 51516
Policy Statement Next Action Undetern	nined	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: ${ m No}$

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 1902–AC29

3869. PROPOSED PRICING POLICY FOR EFFICIENT OPERATION AND EXPANSION OF TRANSMISSION GRID

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 16 USC 791a to 825r; 16 USC 2601 to 2645; 31 USC 9701; 42 USC 7101 to 7352

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 35

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Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission proposes a new pricing policy for the rates of transmission owners that transfer operational control of their transmission facilities to a Regional Transmission Organization (RTO), from independent transmission companies (ITCs) with RTOs, or pursue additional measures that promote efficient operation and expansion of the transmission grid. The proposed policy creates rate incentives that reward RTO and ITC formation. (Docket No. PL03-1-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Notice of Proposed	01/27/03	68 FR 3842
Policy Statement		
Comments Due	03/13/03	
Next Action Undeterr	mined	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: ${ m No}$

Government Levels Affected: None

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3870. CREDITWORTHINESS STANDARDS FOR INTERSTATE NATURAL GAS PIPELINES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 15 USC 717 to 717w;

15 USC 3301 to 3432; 42 USC 1701 to 7352; 43 USC 1331 to 1356

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 284 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission proposes to amend its regulations to require interstate natural gas pipelines to follow standardized procedures for determining the creditworthiness of their shippers. The proposed regulations are intended to promote consistent practices among interstate pipelines and provide shippers with an objective and transparent

creditworthiness evaluation. (Docket

No. RM04-4-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	02/25/04	69 FR 8587
NPRM Comment Period End	04/02/04	
Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 1902-AC47

3871. CRITICAL ENERGY INFRASTRUCTURE INFORMATION

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 5 USC 301 to 305; 5 USC 551 to 557; 15 USC 717 to 717w; 15 USC 3301 to 3432; 16 USC 791 to 825r; 16 USC 2601 to 2645; 42 USC 7101 to 7352

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 388 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission is seeeking public comment on the effectiveness of its Critical Energy Infrastructure Information filing and access rules.. (Docket Nos. RM02-4-003, PL02-1-003.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Notice Soliciting Public	02/25/04	69 FR 8638

Comment Period End 03/15/04

Final Rule 08/10/04 69 FR 48386

Final Rule Effective 09/09/04

Notice Soliciting Public 03/16/05 70 FR 12867

Comment

Next Action Undetermined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 1902-AC50

3872. MARKET-BASED RATES FOR PUBLIC UTILITIES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: Not Yet Determined **CFR Citation:** Not Yet Determined

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission initiated a rulemaking proceeding, and announces that it will hold technical conferences on the adequacy of its current four-pronged analysis used to assess whether applicants should be granted market-based rate authority, and whether and how it should be modified to ensure that the resulting rates are just and reasonable under the Federal Power Act. (Docket No. RM04-7-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Initiation of Rulemaking Proceeding on	04/22/04	69 FR 21777
Market-Based Bates and Notice of		
Technical		
Conference		
Notice Inviting	03/14/05	70 FR 8358
Comments Subject to Technical		
Conference –		
Comment Period		
End Next Action Undeterm	inad	
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Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: Undetermined Government Levels Affected:

Undetermined

Federalism: Undetermined

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RIN: 1902–AC51

3873. ELECTRONIC NOTIFICATION OF COMMISSION ISSUANCES

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 5 USC 551 to 557; 15 USC 717 to 717z; 15 USC 3301 to 3432; 16 USC 791a to 825r; 16 USC 2601 to 2645; 28 USC 2461; 31 USC 3701; 31

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USC 9701; 42 USC 7101 to 7352; 49 USC 60502; 49 USC App. 1 to 85 (1988)

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 5: 18 CFR 16: 18 CFR 156; 18 CFR 157; 18 CFR 385

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission amended its regulations to provide for electronic notification of Commission issuances to service list recipients. In most instances, the Commission will now send such notices by e-mail. This change will increase the speed with which participants receive notice, reduce the Commission's costs, and provide for more accurate service lists. This rule also makes revisions to increase the utilization of electronic forms of service between participants, and to clarify the Commission's regulations to ensure that documents with certification or verification requirements may be filed electronically. (Docket No. RM04-9-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	07/02/04	69 FR 40332
NPRM Comment Period End	08/02/04	
Final Rule	02/23/05	70 FR 8720
Final Rule Effective	03/21/05	
Order on Rehearing	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No **Government Levels Affected: None**

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RIN: 1902-AC57

3874. POLICY STATEMENT ON MATTERS RELATED TO BULK SYSTEM RELIABILITY

Priority: Other Significant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 16 USC 824(e) **CFR Citation:** Not Yet Determined

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: With this Policy Statement, the Commission responds to recommendations in the US-Canada Power System Outage Task Force's Interim and Final Reports on initiatives

the Commission should undertake. The Commission also responds to comments it received after the reliability conference held on December 1, 2003 in Docket No. RM04-2-000. The Commission notified public that the term "good utility practice" as used in electric utilities' open access transmission tariffs under Order No. 888 includes compliance with the reliability standards of the North American Electric Reliability Council. (Docket No. PL04-5-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Policy Statement	04/26/04	69 FR 22502
Next Action Undetermined		

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No **Government Levels Affected: None**

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RIN: 1902-AC59

3875. ● REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE CONDUCT OF OPEN SEASONS FOR ALASKA NATURAL GAS TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 15 USC 717 to 717w CFR Citation: 18 CFR 157

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission amended its regulations to establish requirements governing the conduct of open seasons for capacity on proposals to construct Alaska natural gas transportation projects. This final rule fulfills the Commission's responsibilities to issue open season regulations under section 103 of the Alaska Natural Gas Pipelines Act, enacted on October 31, 2004. (Docket No. RM05-1-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	11/23/04	69 FR 68106
NPRM Comment Period End	12/17/04	
Final Rule	02/18/05	70 FR 8269
Final Rule Effective	05/19/05	
Order on Rehearing	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 1902-AC60

3876. ● POLICY FOR SELECTIVE **DISCOUNTING BY NATURAL GAS PIPELINES**

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** Not Yet Determined

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 1 **Legal Deadline:** None

Abstract: The Commission is seeking comments on its policy regarding selective discounting by natural gas pipeline companies. The Commission is asking parties to submit comments and respond to specific inquiries regarding whether the Commission's practice of permitting pipelines to adjust their ratemaking throughput downward in rate cases to reflect discounts given by pipelines for competitive reasons is appropriate when the discount is given to meet competition from another natural gas pipeline. (Docket Nos. RM05-2-000, RM97-7-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Notice of Inquiry	12/02/04	69 FR 70077
Comment Period End	03/02/05	
Next Action Undeterm	ined	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3877. ● STANDARDS FOR BUSINESS PRACTICES OF INTERSTATE **NATURAL GAS PIPELINES**

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant Legal Authority: 15 USC 717 to 717w; 15 USC 3301 to 3432; 42 USC 7101 to 7352; 43 USC 1331 to 1356

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 284 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission proposes to amend in Docket No. RM96-1-026 its

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regulations governing standards for conducting business practices with interstate natural gas pipelines. (Docket Nos. RM96-1-026; RM96-1-015.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/04/05	70 FR 319
NPRM Comment Period End	02/18/05	
Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3878. ● REPORTING REQUIREMENT FOR CHANGES IN STATUS FOR **PUBLIC UTILITIES WITH** MARKET-BASED RATE AUTHORITY

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 16 USC 791a to 825r; 16 USC 2601 to 2645; 31 USC 9701; 42 USC 7101 to 7352

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 35 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission amended its regulations to establish a reporting obligation for changes in status that apply to public utilities authorized to make wholesale power sales in interstate commerce at market-based rates. Docket No. RM04-14-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	10/15/04	69 FR 61180
NPRM Comment Period End	11/15/04	
Final Rule	02/18/05	70 FR 8253
Final Rule Effective	03/21/05	
Order on Rehearing	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3879. ● INTERCONNECTION FOR WIND ENERGY AND OTHER **ALTERNATIVE TECHNOLOGIES**

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 16 USC 791a to 825r: 16 USC 2601 to 2645; 31 USC 9701; 42 USC 7101 to 7352

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 35 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission proposes to amend its regulations to require public utilities to append to the standard large generator interconnection agreement in their open access transmission tariffs (OATTs) specific technical

requirements for the interconnection of large wind generation. (Docket No.

RM05-4-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
NPRM	01/31/05	70 FR 4791
NPRM Comment Period End	03/02/05	
Final Rule	To Be	Determined

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3880. ● FINANCIAL REPORTING AND **COST ACCOUNTING, OVERSIGHT** AND RECOVERY PRACTICES FOR REGIONAL TRANSMISSION ORGANIZATIONS AND INDEPENDENT **SYSTEM OPERATORS**

Priority: Other Significant. Major status under 5 USC 801 is undetermined.

Legal Authority: 16 USC 791a to 825r; 16 USC 2601 to 2645; 31 USC 9701; 42 USC 7101 to 7352

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 35; 18 CFR 41; 18 CFR 101; 18 CFR 141

Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission invites comments on its accounting and financial reporting requirements for and oversight of regional transmission organization and independent system operator costs. (Docket No. RM04-12-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Notice of Inquiry	09/29/04	69 FR 58112
Comment Period End	11/04/04	
Next Action Undeterm	ined	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 1902-AC68

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3881. EMERGENCY RECONSTRUCTION OF INTERSTATE **NATURAL GAS FACILITIES UNDER** THE NATURAL GAS ACT

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 157; 18 CFR 375

Completed:

Reason	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule Effective	07/14/03	68 FR 31596

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Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 1902–AC36

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3882. ELECTRONIC SERVICE

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **CFR Citation:** 18 CFR 5; 18 CFR 16; 18 CFR 156; 18 CFR 157; 18 CFR 385

Completed:

ReasonDateFR CiteFinal Rule02/23/0570 FR 8720Final Rule Effective03/21/05

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No Government Levels Affected: None

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RIN: 1902-AC53

3883. ● NATURAL GAS PIPELINES; PROJECT COST AND ANNUAL LIMITS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 15 USC 717 to 717w; 15 USC 3301 to 3432; 42 USC 7101 to 7352

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 157 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission computes and publishes the project cost and annual limits for natural gas pipelines blanket construction certificates for each calendar year. (Docket No. RM81-19-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule	02/07/05	70 FR 6340
Final Rule Effective	01/01/05	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Government Levels Affected: None

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3884. • UPDATE OF THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION'S FEES SCHEDULE FOR ANNUAL CHARGES FOR THE USE OF GOVERNMENT LANDS

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant **Legal Authority:** 16 USC 791a to 825r; 42 USC 7101 to 7352

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 11 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission updated its schedule of fees for the use of government lands. The yearly update is based on the most recent schedule of fees for the use of linear rights-of-way prepared by the United States Forest Service. The fees will apply to fiscal year 2005 annual charges for the use of government lands. (Docket No. RM05-3-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule	12/09/04	69 FR 71364
Final Rule Effective	10/01/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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3885. ● DELEGATION OF AUTHORITY

Priority: Substantive, Nonsignificant

Legal Authority: 5 USC 551 to 557; 15 USC 717 to 717w; 15 USC 3301 to 3432; 16 USC 791 to 825r; 16 USC 2601 to 2645; 42 USC 7101 to 7352

CFR Citation: 18 CFR 375 Legal Deadline: None

Abstract: The Commission amended its regulations governing delegations of authority to reflect a recent internal reorganization. (Docket No. RM04-13-000.)

Timetable:

Action	Date	FR Cite
Final Rule	11/08/04	69 FR 64659
Final Rule Effective	11/08/04	

Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

Required: No

Small Entities Affected: No

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